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PENDING APPLICATIONS FOR STD/ ISD/ PCO BOOTHS IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for STD/ISD/PCO booths in the Telecom Circles of Maharashtra pending with the Union Governmen for the last two years; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The number of applications pending for S.T.D./I.S.D./P.C.O. booths in the Telecom Circles of Maharashtra during the last two years is as under:

S.L.	Name of Government Service provider	Service area	No.of applications pending during the last two years.
1.	Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL)	Maharashtra Telecom Circle	13,884
2.	Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd. (MTNL)	Mumbai Metro District	167

(b) Out of 167 cases pending with MTNL, Mumbai, 81 cases are pending due to subscribers` reasons. The balance 86 cases have been received recently.

BSNL is also regularly monitoring these cases,making the areas feasible by laying underground cables and provisioning of reliable media to the exchanges.